



## MICHIGAN LICENSED BEVERAGE ASSOCIATION

*Retailers dedicated to the responsible sale and service of beverage alcohol*

The MLBA is opposed to SB 730 because we believe it will create additional regulations and increase costs to the hospitality industry as there are already food safety precautions in place. Below are three key examples of what the bill intends to do and the negative impact we believe the bill will have on small business owners:

- At least one designated certified managerial employee and an alternate at each establishment. These employees would view a video and complete other training concerning food allergies.
  - Approved food and safety training courses already provide allergen training.
  - Requiring additional training for and designating a food safety manager is burdensome to these establishments that work so hard to ensure the safety of their staff and customers.
- Require a retail food establishment to include a notice to customers, either on the menu or a poster at or near the entrance, of the customer's obligation to inform the server about any food allergies.
  - Most people with severe food allergies already tell their servers about food allergies.
  - Who is liable if the customer does not inform the server of an allergy?
  - The servers will only have the benefit of a poster for their information.
- Require an establishment designated food allergy friendly to make available to the public a list of all the ingredients used to prepare food.
  - Specials change every day. What are the requirements to update the ingredient lists?
  - Printing these lists to make available to customers becomes cumbersome and costly.

In closing, the MLBA feels this bill is redundant as the current food safety training already includes allergen training. The bill also adversely affects the hospitality industry by applying even more regulations on an industry that's already heavily regulated.

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